IF THE LAW IS REPEALED.

Two Very Different Ways in Which Satur

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could be easily accomplished " if the women
who have all the week in which to do their
shopping would only keep away from drygoods stores on Saturday afternoons."
That particular part of the letter should be
kept constantly before the eyes of the public
under the names of the Senators who did and
who did not vote for the repeal of the HalfHoliday bill.

In fighting so realonsly for the half holi

ear. God bless The Evening World. Saturday.

GAY DOINGS IN BUSINESS OFFICES.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Low Give the Se

ond of Their Novel Receptions.

Inspired with a novel idea about one year

ago, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Low, of 243

West Twenty-first street, issued invitations

for a reception to be held at Mr. Low's offi-

ces at 947 Broadway. The result was a suc-

cess which was repeated on Saturday night,

when the second of these novel receptions was held at the same place. Among those

Among those present who contributed to

he pleasure of the occasion were: Albert

elocutionist by reciting Gen. Lew Wallace's description of the chariot race in "Ben

Talked of by Workingmen

The Pattern-Makers' Union will give their eighth annual ball in Clarendon Hall to-morrow night.

Julius Wiener, of the Walters' Union, has been added to the Arbitration Committee of the Central Labor Union.

The United Plano-Makers have changed the date of their annual ball from March 31 to April 2. Webster Hall has been engaged for the occasion.

Pocketbook frame-makers attached to District

nbly 49 are talking of starting a co-operat The business is said to be very profitable

shop. The business is said to be very profitable. Waiters' Union No. 1 reports that it has arranged matters satisfactorily with the Tammany Hall management, and henceforth it will be on the union list of halls and bailrooms.

The Frankin Association of printers, having reported to the Central Labor Union that Kienie, book and job printer, is employing "rats," the last named organization has referred the matter to Typographia No. 7.

Robert Davis, of the Operative Panters' Union.

Robert Davis, of the Operative Panters' Union, presided at the Central Labor Union meeting yesterday. He demonstrated excellent ability as a parliamentarian. Mr. Davis is one of the most active men in organized labor.

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J. Moeller & Co., of 577 Broadway, have informed the Central Labor Union's Arbitration Committee that they will hereafter employ union men only on their buildings. Non-union painters were recently employed there by a contractor.

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The Alliance Labor Club, of Brooklyn, will give a ball in the Academy next Monday night. James E. Quinn, of Dustriet Assembly 49, will act as foor manager. An entertainment will precede the dancing. An attractive journal has been published for the occasion. The club is attached to No. 49, and is a "mixed" local assembly.

AITHAUTIVE folding cards, combining portrait of the rulers, cost of arms and dag of every na-tion. Three different subjects inclosed in each box of TURKISH CROSS-CUT CHARKITES.

present were ;

LOUISE.

day Afternoons Will be Spent.

THE HALF HOLIDAY.

ALL WORKING PEOPLE WANT IT AND NO ONE WOULD LOSE BY IT.

Brokers, Merchants and Other Men of Business Want the Custom Observed-A Temperance Advocate Wants It During Only the Summer Months-" The Evening World's" Crusade Widely Appreciated.

Expressions of opinion picked up at random by EVENING WORLD reporters in different parts of the city show that the half-holiday question has obtained a firm hold on the minds of all classes of people.

Henry Fitch, a well-known stock broker and prominent member of the Stock and Petroleum Exchange, is an earnest advocate of the Saturday half holiday. To an Evening World reporter he said :

'The working people should certainly have a half holiday on Saturday. I am not sure that I believe in it the year around, but in June, July, August and September the law should certainly be observed."

John McGraw, a clerk in one of the largest

dry-goods firms in the city, said : "There are no two sides to the question. The Saturday half holiday should be observed the year

throughout. It is only right, and I am sure that the laboring people deserve it."

W. Parker Bodfish, a well-known artist, said: "I am, of course, like every, sensible man, heartily in favor of the Saturday half holiday. I am glad that The Evening World has taken hold of this matter and is again the champion of the people's cause."

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Rudolph Miller, of the lithographing establishment of H. A. Thomas, in East Nineteeth street, near Broadway, said: "Of course I am in favor of the Saturday half holiday summer and winter. It is the people's holiday and it should be observed. The good work of THE EVENING WORLD in this matter is highly commendable."

Francis Conroy, coal dealer, of 414 West Twenty-ninth street, said: "I think that a Esturday half holiday in the months of July and August is sufficient, as it is during those months that the half holiday is most enjoyed by the working people."

Thomas Egan the west-side temperance

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Thomas Egan, the west-side temperance advocate and hardware dealer, said: "I believe in having the Saturday half holiday during July and August, but not at any other time, as it has a tendency to promote intemperance. Poor working people that drink abuse whatever spare time they have by getting drunk. Hance it is better to limit the half holiday to two months."

Oscar Edgerly, of 167 Broadway, said: "I think that two months in the summer, July and August, would suffice for Saturday half holidays. Of course, for dry-goods houses it might be better to set aside four months in the year, but for banks and similar institutions I think that two months would do."

John Davidson, lumber clerk, of 418 West Twentieth street, said: "I believe in a general half holiday throughout the year. It would tend to enlighten the people, who would have an opportunity to visit our museums and libraries, and learn many things."

L. J. Weaver, electrician, of West Twenty-

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L. J. Weaver, electrician, of West Twentyfourth street, said: "Two months in the
year would satisfy our trade, inasmuch as the
nature of our business is such as to necessitate our keeping open all day Saturday except in July and August."

Miss Alice Croan, cashier in a large Eighth
avenue store, said: "Oh. I do hope that The
Evenino World will succeed in making a
Saturday half holiday during all the year. I
am very tired when I get through work, and very tired when I get through work and

am very tired when I get through work, and Friday seems short when one can anticipate getting off at 12 on Saturday."

Mr. David Sussman, of the firm of Sussman Bros., manufacturers of cigars at 208 Third avenue, is strongly in favor of the Saturday half holiday. To an Evening World reportant has said:

half holiday. To an EVENING WORLD reporter he said:

"I have at present over 100 men in my emptoy who all fancy the Saturday half holiday, and I am also in favor of it personally. If THE EVENING WORLD SUcceeds in preventing the abolition of the half holiday it will detent the acceptance of avery workingman."

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C. F. Harrington, manufacturer of chem-icals, said: "There are over three hundred men now employed by me in various cities who work the entire week, although they have never expressed an opinion to me on the half-holiday subject. I know their feelings and will grant them a half a day off if that is the lay."

if that is the law."

Frederick Burhring, proprietor and publisher of the American Lithographer and Printer, is highly in favor of the system, and has given his employees half a day off the year round since the law went into effect. He is also an advocate of the nine-hour system.

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There are only about seven lithographing establishments in the United States, he said, that are not in favor of nine hours and the Saturday half-holiday.

F. R. Wilson, wholesale liquor dealer in Chambers street, agrees with The Evening World on the half-holiday question.

George B. Stuart, a manufacturerer in East Nineteenth street, said: "I heartily indorse The Evening World's views regarding the Saturday half holiday. It benefits the workingmen and the employer, too, for the men take more interest in their work, and consequently do better work. Some inconventances may be felt by the employers, but I think that in the long run they do not lose."

Alfred P. Hanan, of the big shoe manufacturing firm of Hanan & Sons, said: "I believe in the Saturday half holiday. We cheerfully grant our men the half heliday in

turing firm of Hanan & Sons, said: "I be-lieve in the Saturday half holiday. We cheerfully grant our men the half heliday in June, July and August, although it is a loss

of a good deal of money to us."

Edwin Moore said: "Let the Saturday half holiday stand by all meaus. I am a strong advocate of it. That is a mighty elever idea of THE EVENING WORLD to publish the names of the legislators who favor the half holiday and those who oppose it, with appropriate suggestions and illustrations."

"Every stone-cutter in the city wants the half-holiday." said Mr. James Anderson, foreman of Thomas Osborn's stone works, at Ninety-second street and Avenue A. No. 49, and is a "mixed" local assembly.

The concerts to be given under the anapices of the Central Labor Union in aid of the striking miners will embrace some of; the best taient in the city. The musical unions have voluntered to furnish all the musicians necessary for the entertainments, which will be given at the Feople's Theatre and at Miner's Eighth Avenue Theatre, on Sunday evening, March II.

Secretary Ernest Bohm, of the Central Labor Union, has notified the Messrs. Clark, of the O. N. T. Thread Mills at Kearuy, N. J., that that organization will indorse any action that the Workingwomen's Society may see fit to take regarding the product of the firm. It is understood that the Workingwomen's Society will request all union workers who use thread to let O. N. T. severely alone. "As for myself personally I say God bless
THE EVENTNO WORLD for its efforts in this
cause. If it succeeds it will earn the gratitude of every granite-worker."

Saturday Afternoon Should Be a Hollday.

The letter of The Scening World;
The letter from "Brain Rest" in this

evening's issue of your paper is decidedly timely, and is by far, in my estimation, the best article yet contributed in support of the Seaturday Half-Holiday bill, because it deals directly with the people who make the clos-ing of dry-goods stores on Saturday after-noons an impossibility on account of the lower lift selfsthese they exhibit in persist-ting in shopping after 13 o'clock on that day. That portion of the letter is especially ef-



ARGUMENT ON THE MOTION TO DISMISS THE INDICTMENT.

Counsel for Flynn Argues that His Clien Cannot Be Guilty, Even if Squire Is-Lawyer Howe of the Opinion that There Was No Conspiracy at All-Neither of the Distinguished Defendants in Court.

Judge Lawrence, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, heard argument to-day on the demurrer to the indict-

ment for conspiracy against ex-Commis sioner of Public Works Rollin M. Squire and Maurice B. Flynn. William F. Howe

and his partner, Abe Hummel, appeared for Squire, and ex-Judge B. W. Huntington for Flynn. The principals were not in court. Ex-Judge Noah Davis

ROLLIN M. SQUIRE. and ex-Judge A . J. Dittenhoefer, of counsel for Flynn, sat quietly at the lawyers' table.

Judge Lawrence excused the jurors impanelled till to-morrow, and then Mr. Howe asked that the stenographer place on the minutes the withdrawal by Squire of his former plea of not guilty and the offer of a demurrer to the indictment.

"With the proviso that in case the demurrer is denied by the Court, the defendant will plead anew," added the punctilious, handsome and dignified Supreme Court Jus-

IMr. Howe assented, and then Justice Lawrence said ex-Judge Huntington should
oven the argument for
Flynn,Mr. Howe should
follow in behalf of
Squire, and the District-Attorney should
then have the floor.

who did not vote for the repeat of the Half-Holiday bill.

In fighting so zealously for the half holiday The Evening World is engaged in a grand movement, and the working people of New York should be thankful in having such a noble champion of their rights.

Every Saturday afternoon in the year should be a holiday, and R will be.

The World put the Statue of Liberty in position, and its offspring, The Evenico World, will, by its grand efforts, be instrumental in obtaining for the working people the Saturday half holiday throughout the year. Squire, and the District-Attorney should then have the floor.

Ex-Judge Ditten-hoefer nodded his approval of this plan, ex-Judge Davis was impassive, and ex-Judge Huntington began. He is a tall, long-headed man, with a smooth face, small eyes, with heavy brows and thin, mouse-colored hair.

He denied that what the indictment charged was a misdemeanor. That Flynn offered to aid and assist in procuring an appointment for Squire, ex-Judge

That Flynn offered to aid and assist in pro-curing an appointment for Squire, ex-Judge Huntington argued, was no offense. But a person who offers to pay for such aid is guilty, whether the offer is accepted or not, and that is the case as charged here. One is charged with offering, the other with agreeing to receive. The cases are dual, and the men cannot be properly joined in the indictment, and the lawyer read voluminous authorities from a stack of law books before him on his table.

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The fourteenth count of the indictment charged that Flynn conspired with Squire to obtain the office of Com-missioner of Public Works for the lat-ter, on agreement that he (Flynn) should be the real man at the helm, have control of the patronage, and that Hubert O.

control of the patronage, and that Hubert O. Thompson was a co-conspirator with them. There are twenty-two counts in the indictment, yet Mr. Huntington held that none of the allegations showed a criminal conspiracy. Flynn, it was claimed in the indictment, was to obtain the notes from County Democracy Aldermen for Squire's appointment, and the counsel declared that there was no presumption of truth in this charge, as Squire was confirmed by the votes of twenty-four Aldermen, and the votes in question were not Aldermen, and the votes in question were not

present were;

Ex-Mayor Smith Ely, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Andrews, Ed Heron-Allen, Mrs. Frank Leelle, Mr. and Mrs. William Otts Brown, Mrs. John Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. William Otts Brown, Mrs. John Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. William Otts Brown, Mrs. John Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Curry, Jr., Edward Fales Coward, Mrs. D. Otoly Col. and Mrs. Robert G. Ingersoil, Miss Eva and Miss Maude Ingersoil, Mrs. Collins, Dr. J. O. Chase, C. Franklin Chatterton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Dupignac, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rizena de Grove, Aunt Louisa Edirdge, Mrs. M. T. Fortescue, Mrs. George Leonard Fisher, Daniel Frohman and the Misses Frohman, Claudas Fulton, Mrs. Minnie C. T. Love, M. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Auguste H. Girard, William Fearing Teil, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Harvier, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hilliard, Mrs. John Hyde, Miss Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Howard, Mrs. Jonn P. Jackson, Richard B. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lareson and Miss Florence Larason, Smith E. Lane, Stephen Massett, Miss Hannah M. O'Keefe, Major J. H. Pond, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Pescody, Mr. and Mrs. Gene H. Presbury, Dr. and Mrs. Pond, Robert B. Roosevelt, Dr. and Mrs. Elbridge G. Shaw, fr., Miss Florence Everard Salomon, Miss Stewart, Miss Fanny Edgar Thomas, Mrs. J. M. Varian, B. B. Valentine, Mrs. J. M. Ward and Miss Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Wilson and Alarie Mas.

Among those present who contributed to needed.

Mr. Howe addressed the Court in support
of Mr. Squire's demurrer. He contended Air. Howe addressed the Court in support
of Mr. Squire's demurrer. He contended
that the conspiracy charged against Squire
and Flynn was a lawful conspiracy,
and one frequently entered into. It
involved no perversion or obstruction of
the administration of the law. The power

of appointment was with Mayor Edson. There could be no charge that he was in the conspiracy. It was agreed that Mayor Edson thought Equire's appointment was a good one. But he must have been a party to make

thought Squire's appointment was a good one. But he must have been a party to make this a conspiracy.

Did Flynn corruptly aid in obtaining Squire's appointment? Mr. Howe, thought not. Whether two or 2,000 persons combined in asking the Mayor to appoint, it was no conspiracy, Mr. Howe urged. He insisted that there could be no conspiracy unless it was for the commission of a crime, and no crime was charged in the indictment as the end consuited for. morris Bagby and William Russell Core, pi-anists; Miss Laura Sedgwick Collins, Wilbur Gunn, the tenor; Miss M. Louise Legure, the soprano; Miss Alice J. Shaw, the whistler; Mrs. Harriet Webb, Marshall P. Wilder, Francis Walker, Miss Carrie Daniels, Arthur oswald, the baritone, and Miss Clendenning, of Philadelphia, who made her debut as an the end conspired for.

THE HORROR OF IT CLINGS TO HIM.

Conductor Bickerton Secs in His Deliriu the Falling L Structure.

Poor Charles Bickerton, the conductor of the car which was smashed by the collapse on the Brooklyn elevated road last week, is suffering severely from the injuries received then. His friend, Michael McCauley, met him near his (Bickerton's) neat little house at Balnbridge istreet and Reld avenue, Williamsburg, shortly after the accident, and persuaded him to go home to bed. Since then Bickeron has grown worse. He suffers severely from internal injuries, and the nervous shock caused by what he saw seems to have unsettled his mind. As Bickerton crawled from the wreck of the car, he

Bickerton crawled from the wreck of the car, he saw the driver, Thompson, as he was struck by the falling girder. The sight was a borriole one, and is before Bickerton's eyes continually. He take in his ravings or nothing else.

Dr. Fowler, the surgeon of the car company, is visiting the slok man, and the campany continue to pay him his wages. He has a wife and three children, and bears an excellent reputation. Mrs. Bickerton said to a Wolld reporter that she hoped for the best, but was much worried over her husband's condition. McCauley, who has been in continual stiendance on the sick man, has driven the car of which Bickerton was conductor for several years. On the fatal day, McCauley had taken a day off, and had thus saved himself from Thompson's fate.

Cardonna Set Free.

John Cardonna was this morning arraigned before Justice Lawrence, in the Court of Over and Terminer, charged with the murder of Daniel Tehan. District-Attorney Fellows asked for the dismissa of the charge on the ground that as Cardonna had stilled Tehan at the same time that he had killed Byrnes, the case against him would not hold, as a jury had justified the killing of Byrnes. Cardonna was set free.

Died on Her Way Home. Andrew Bartholemew, aged sixty-four, of Massachusetts, died suddenly on the steamship Therefore, and suddenly on the steamship.

Cherokee, at Pier 29, East River, this morning.

The cause of death was consumption. Mrs. Bartholemew was on her way home from Florida, where she had gone for her health. Her husband accompanied her.

LOOK out for imitations of the TURKISH CROSS-

STAIN AND CROMWELL ON TRIAL.

More Than Seventy Witnesses Called-How the Prisoners Lock.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD,]
BANGOR, Me., Feb. 20.—The trial of the famous murderers and bank burglars, David L. Stain and Oliver Cromwell, who were arrested last October by a World correspon dent for the murder of Treasurer J. W. Bar ron, of the Dexter Savings Bank, began this morning.

The case was opened by Gen. Orville D. Baker and County-Attorney T. H. Appleton. Lewis A. Barker appears for Stain and Patrick H. Gillen for Cromwell.

When the prisoners were brought into Court at 10.30 o'clock Stain looked pale and baggard, and cast his nervous eyes about the

He has been in the habit of dying his mus tache black, but since his confinement has not been allowed any hair dye. His coarse mustache now looks a fiery red, and changes his appearance materially. Cromwell held his head down and was very

Cromwell held his head down and was very nervous. His close confinement has told on him remarkably.

The forencon session was occupied in the selection of a jury. The case is being tried before Chief Justice John A. Peters, of the Supreme Court. The trial will be a long and a celebrated one, and more than seventy witnesses have been called.

NEW YORK WANTS THE CONVENTION.

Tammany Braves to Appear Before the Na tional Democratic Committee.

The Tammany Hall braves who are to apyear before the National Democratic Comnittee to advocate the selection of New York City as the place to held the coming Presidential Convention, left for Washington this morning on the vestibule train which scooted out of the Pennsylvania depot, in Jersey City at 10.15. They had reserved seats in the coach Silvia and paid \$10 apiece to go to the

coach Silvia and paid \$10 apiece to go to the Capitol in bang-up style.

Among the Wigwam pilgrims were Commissioner Richard Croker, ex-Register John Reilly, James J. Martin, Joseph J. O'Donohue, J. G. H. Meyer, Robert E. Deyo and Aqueduct Commissioner James C. Spencer.

Gen. John Cochrane and President George H. Forster, of the Board of Aldermen, who were on the committee, did not put in an appearance. Sheriff Grant and Congressman Bourks Cockran will go on a later train.

The Tammanyites' satchels were well stocked with cigars.

Next to New York the warriors favor San Francisco for the convention. They are opposed to Chicago.

posed to Chicago.
"If the convention should be held in San Francisco," said James J. Martin, "Irving Hall would not send a delegation. Their del-egates would have too far to walk." The braves do not expect to return before Friday. They have resolved to be good and dignified citizens while in Washington, and there is no danger that they will put on any real war reinty.

BIG DOGS THE FAVORITES.

Many Ladles Interested in the Beach Show nt Madison Square Garden.

The dog show which opens at Madison Square Garden to-morrow will be one of the largest and most interesting ever seen here. More than one hundred applications for entrance have been denied for lack of space. The larger breeds—mastiffs, St. Bernards collies and the like will be unusually prominent and popular.

The ladies will take an unusually promi-

The ladies will take an unusually prominent part in the show. Among the judges will be Miss Anna H. Whitney, of Lancaster, Mass., on St. Bernards, of which there will be 118 specimens on exhibition. The exhibitors include Miss M. Harrison, Mrs. A. M. Modregor, of Mannaroneck, Mrs. G. W. Chandler and Mrs. J. Grant, of West New Brighton; Miss Louise Geer, of Summit, N. J.; Mrs. Alexander M. Hughes, of Walhalla; Mrs. W. H. H. Beebe, Miss Ethel C. Richmond, Mrs. Sarah Leggett Emory and Miss Van Winkle, of this city; Mrs. J. B. Wallace and Miss Hattie Wooster, of Ansonia, Conn.; Mrs. Sidney Hubbs, of Comac, L. L.; Mrs. John McCormick, Miss M. M. Cheesebrough and Miss Mary E. Ames, of Brooklyn: Mrs. J. H. Winslow, of Philadelphia and Miss Bollett, Miss Annie Short and Miss Elizabeth Bradhurst, of this city. hurst, of this city.

THE LILY IS NOT SERIOUSLY ILL.

She Was Prestrated by a Scene with the Piqued Miss Nadage Doree.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD. CHICAGO, Feb. 20 .- Mrs. Langtry is not seriously ill. and will not likely have to sus. pend her performances. She is in her car, and ordered a hearty breakfast from the Grand Pacific bill of fare this morning.

She has been ailing lately, and a scene with Miss Nadage Dorce Saturday caused her to have an attack of nervous prostration and neuralgic pains through her chest. Then Dr. Irwin was summoned by the alarmed actress. The trouble with Miss Doree is that the latter got mad at her alleged suppression when leading rôles were being distributed and left. There was nearly \$500 due her, and eleven weeks of her contract still to fill. So Mrs. Langtry refused to pay her and she has entered suit for the amount. L. O'Mears. a justice court lawyer, has charge of the case.

Harlem's New Synagogue.

The Rev. Dr. K. Kohler will lecture to-morrow evening in the lecture room of the Temple of Israel of Harlem, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth atreet and Fifth avenue, and will be followed by musical and literary exercises. The building was formerly a churen, and cost the Temple of Israel congregation, with improvements, \$150,000. The Rev. M. H. Harris is the rabbi, and there is a lage Sunday-school free to all. sunday-school free to all.

Boy Burglars on Staten Island. Henry Carroll and John Beauer, two young lads of Port Richmond, S. I., were arrested this mornng on a charge of having burgiariously entered the hardware store of Burger and Ochs on Friday night. Some of the stolen property was found on them. They confessed their guilt.

The Purim Association's Annual Ball. A chanity ball, in aid of the Home for Aged and infirm Hebrews, will be given under the manage ment of Purim Association at the Metropolitan Opera-House, on Tuesday evening, Peb. 28. Preparations have been made to make this one of the pissunicat balls given by the Purim Association for some time.

U. S. Grant and the "Cosmopolitan." Mr. Ulysses S. Grant is a stockholder in the Cosmopolitan Magazine Company and at a recent meeting of the directors he was elected Vice-Press dent of the company that publishes the magazine. Mr. Grash intends to devote his ability and time to the publishing business.

UNQUESTIONABLY the best-Tunkish Choss-Cur

BY CYCLONE AND FIRE.

Mount Vernon, Ill., a Mass of Burning Debris.

Twenty-Nine Reported Killed and Over One Hundred Wounded.

The Ruins Take Pire and the Flames Creep Up on the Imprisoned Victims - The Shricks of the Wounded and the Groans of the Dying Fill the Sabbath Air-Mothers, Unable to Assist Their Children, Watch Their Approaching Death-The Business Portion of the Pince Levelled as with a Seythe-The Financial Loss Will Exceed Half a Million Dollars-Only Two Churches Standing After the Blast Bad Passed-The Killed and Wounded.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

MOUNT VERNOR, Ill., Feb. 20,-This city was visited by, a cyclone at 4.50 P. M., yesterday. Not a house is left standing on the east, west and south sides of; the public square. Of the fifty business houses, only six remain. Twenty-nine deaths and over one hundred wounded are reported. Many more deaths are probable, but owing to the confusion an accurate list cannot be given. The lebris is burning and under it lie men, women and children, some dead, others injured, and the fiames are fast creeping up on them.

Children whom mothers are powerless to aid are in the ruins. The shricks of women, the groans of the injured, the pleadings of those pinioned under the burning ruins fill the air with the wallings of this terrible calamity. Following is a list of dead and injured.

S. L. WATERS. Mrs. JOHN WATERS and child. Mr. CHAR. CUMMINGS. MISS MARTHA WESTSHOOK Mrs. R. DUVEY.

JOHN YEARWOOD and wife Mrs. HOLCOMB. D. F. YEARWOOD and wife.

SAMUEL YEARWOOD and wife. J. C. MURRAY. GEORGE PURCELL. Mrs. WM. JONES and child. Јони Ворвон.

Mrs. L. E. Ego. Miss JOSTE SUPPOM JOHN BREW.

Blacksmith, name unknown; two telegraph operators.

JAMES PRARSON Mrs. Col. Cooper. EDDY MARRY,

INJURED. Mrs. HENRY WATERS. STEVE MAY and brother. CHAS. ELLIS and HENRY ELLIS. Mr. J. C. HAMBRICE. MISS CORINNE HAMBRICE. Mrs. ALBRIGHT. LIZZIE BENNET. CHAS. WHIR. AMANDA BERDOK. Mr. and Mrs. C. GALVING LAWLER LEGGE. Mrs. HENRY WAVERS.

MISS LAURA LIBERRY. Mr. and Mrs. C. GALDRATH. Mr. and Mrs. WESTEROOK. AMANDA BRAHDON. Mrs. W. H. HINMAN. CHARLES POOL

HANBRICK BROWNLOW. ---- HAWKINS. MISS LILLIE CRAPE. JORL HAWRING. KELLY, brakeman. ALLEN, telegraph operator. SARGEANT, Walchman. WELCH, master mechanic.

COVINGTON, engineer.

LANSING, fireman. Mrs. W. H. HINWAN and Miss HAMBRICK cannot ive and others on this list will die. There will be at least thirty-five deaths and the list of injured will probably reach two hundred.

The County Court-House and the Methodist Church are total wrecks. George W. Evans & Co,'s bank and the stores of Hudspeth & Co., Louis Rohr, Howard Bros. & Co., R. C. Ryan, Stratton & Co., H. William & Co., J. E. Perguson & Co., A. C. Johnson, A. B. Cox, Powless & Co., Jackson & Co., G. W. Morgen, Maxey, Wescott & Swift were all totally destroyed, and no goods were saved. The saloons of Ellis Guthrie and J. J. Mannon are wrecked and burning. The Commercial Rotel is in ruins.

Every church in the city is levelled, except the Presbyterian and Catholic. Over five hundred dwellings are totally destroyed. The loss will not fall short of \$1,000,000, and the people here will experience great suffering if outside help is not forthcoming at once.

The cyclone came from the southwest, striking the city near the depot and was preceded by a heavy hall-storm. Only twenty minutes before the cyclone struck the Methodist Church there were iso Sunday-school children congregated within its walls, not one of whom would have escaped.

At midnight the scenes were distressing. Men and women were working at the ruins, struggling to release those imprisoned beneath charred timbers and masses of stone or brick. Cries, moans and shricks came from



Miners and the Reading Road

every heap of debris, and in some cases the dead lay in the streets. Torches and lanterns lent a gruesome light to the wretched scene.

Many of the dead and wounded were so badly disfigured as to make identification difficult and in some cases impossible.

In the east end whole families were buried beneath the rules of their houses without any warning other than the burst of the storm and the call to eternity.

Engineer Cummings, who was in the shops of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad when the cloud burst, was caught in the flying debris and toru to

TRUSTS ON THE RACK. The Senate Committee's Investigation

the Operations of the Monopolies. At last the grasping trusts have been

brought to the rack, and able and earnest men are turning the screws. The Tweed Court-House, that reminder of

misplaced political trust, is the scene of the inquisition and the inquisitors are the mem-bers of the Senate Committee on General Laws.

These gentlemen are assisted by Col.
George Bliss and Gen. Roger A. Pryor, who
were engaged as counsel by the committee

were engaged as counsel by the committee on Saturday.

Col. Bliss represented Jacob Sharp in the memorable investigation which resulted in the indictment of the Board of 1884, while Gen. Pryor has been the representative of Tammany Hall in the preparation of the Anti-Trust bills submitted to the Legislature by that organization.

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Gen. Pryor, said this morning that it had hardly been determined on Saturday which of the monopolies would be first put on the wheel, and to-day's meeting would determine that organize the constitution of the said of the monopolies would be first put on the wheel, and to-day's meeting would determine that organize.

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During the interview he took occasion to praise The Evenino World for its efficient work in stirring up the people against the

TWO MEN KILLED.

and Northern Railroad.

Ludwig Normsin, age thirty years, and Charles Johnson, age forty years, Swedish laborers, while at work on the track of the New York City and Northern Railroad, north of High Bridge, at about 7 o'clock this morninstantly killed. The Coroner will make an

The Cercle Francals Ball.

Preparations are actively going on at the Metropolitan Opera-House for the comedy to be enacted on the night of the masquerade and fancy dress ball of the Cercle Francais de l'Harmonie on Monball of the Cercie Français de l'Harmonie on Mon-day, Feb. 37. The building is to be beautifully shot profusely decorated with fastural flowers from the floor to the ceiling, which, it is expected, will pro-duce one of the most charming aignis ever seen. The society is determined to make this the most successful ball that it ever gave. It will spare no expense in doing so. All the costumes and other features will be specially imported from Paris and the scenery will be something novel. The society's annual banquet on Saturday was very successful. annu il banquet on Saturday was very successiul anu well attended.

Frank Hyrne, who has had the distinction, however cuviable, of being the original "No. 1" of the Pacenix Park affair, which resulted in the death of Cavendash and Burke, was arrested tast night. Byrne opened a salcon on the corner of Third avenue and Fifty-first street a short time age. It was at that place that he was arrested for keeping open house on Sunday in violation of the Excise law.

Policemen Walsh and Devenny, of the Steam boat Squad, arrested James Wilson, whom they found rowing into the dock at pier 41 East River count for.

It is thought that Wilson, whom Capt. Gastim said was an oid-time river thief, must have taken the coffee from some Brooklyn storehouse.

Death of Ex-Coroner Horrman. Ex-Police Justice and ex-Coroner Gerson N. Herrman died last Saturday night of pneumonia after five days illness. His funeral will take place from his home, 135 East Sixtieth street, next Wednes-day morning. He was born in Bavaria in 1883. He was elected a Coroner in this city in 1870. In 1883 he was appointed a Police Justice by Mayor

At Their Children's Silver Wedding, Mr. and Mrs. William Wellstood, of Greenwich, Conn., celebrate their sliver wedding to-day. Mr. Welistood's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Welistood, celebrated their golden wedding in July, 1883. They are still in good health and will, without doubt, be the most active participants in

Is All Gambling to be Suppressed? It is rumored at Police Headquarters that orders have been issued to commanders of precincts that gambling of every degree must be suppressed and that gambling houses must be closed up. The captains or their representatives are, it is said, to be held strictly to account for a failure to enforce the order.

Horses Sufficated in Their Stalls. A fire which started in the barn of Edmund Randolph in Mount St. Vincent, shortly after 10 o'clock last evening, suffocated three horses and a donkey that were stabled there. Six wagons, two sieigns and a number of harnesses were destroyed. The cause of the Gre is unknown. Policeman Henry Wayland Dead.

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Bridge squad, died this morning after a short ill-

Burning of the Theatre Comique in

Otto Lobes Suffocates After Try-

Otto Gantzberg and His Household Driven from Their Rooms by Fire Early This Morning-Mrs. Gantzberg Carried from a Sick Bed-She Will Probably Die of Exposure-Little Otto Wanders Back into the Plames Atter His Uncle's At-

Robert Gantzberg's Theatre Comique in Washington street, Hoboken, and two adjoining buildings were destroyed by fire this morning. Three lives were sacrificed to the smoke and flames.

Otto Lobes, leader of the orchestra of the theatre, is dead. Otto Gantzberg, the proprietor's twelve-year-old son, is dying at it. Mary's Hospital, and his mother, who has been suffering from pneumonia, is lying at the point of death at the home of a friend. Gantzberg says that the fire is the work of

61, 63, 65 and 67 Washington street for ten years, leasing the building from John Shotwell, of this city. The occupants of the build-

ing, and after throwing it through a window jumped after it into the arms of a fireman. She set at work at once to distribute her clothes among the others.

Lena Freylig, another servant, also jumped from a second-story window and escaped injury. Manager Beckholtz jumped, too, slightly injuring his leg.

The building was valued at \$10,000. Robert Gantzberg, ir., says that his father's stock was worth \$9,000 and the insurance \$5,000.

The pork packing establishment of Charles Hiltner & Sons, at 69 Washington street, a great three story brick building, was almost totally destroyed. The loss is \$8,000, fully insured. No. 59, a three story frame building, owned by Lawyer A. Schuyler Boyd, was totally destroyed. Boyd's law library was lost. The effects of Lawyers Stumpf and McCreery and the butcher store of William Peterson, on the first floor, were also totally destroyed. The total damage on this building amounts to \$4,000: partially insured.

Cronheim's Theatre, a large affair, the rear of which is twenty teet from the burned building, is also damaged considerably. The firemen confined their efforts to the saving of the surrounding buildings, as it was discov-

firemen confined their efforts to the saving of the surrounding buildings, as it was discov-ered on their arrival that Gantzberg's Theatre

Josef Hofmann Breaks Down Josef Hofmann, the boy planist, will not again appear before an American audience. His nerves ire broken down, and his father will take him back o Europe.

Guttenburg Races Postponed. Owing to the rain and fog this morning the races announced at Guttenourg were postponed until so-norrow; entries to stand.



Watter indications for trenty-four hours beginning at & P. M. to-day : For Const cticut-Fat weather, preced d rain.

FOR New York—Rising to loved by tailing tomto tresterly and increasing in force; fair weather preceded by rain,

The Weather To-Day.

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an incendiary, but the police have as yet been unable to substantiate his theory. Gantzberg has run the Theatre Comique at

well, of this city. The occupants of the building last night were the proprietor, his wife, his son Otto and the baby, who slept in the second story; a company of five Tyrolese singers who have been at the theatre for several weeks, and two servant girls.

Shortly before 5 o'clock this morning Mrs. Gantzberg was awakened by the smell of smoke. She aron-sed her husband, who remarked that the fire must be elsewhere and slept again until the roof of the rear of the theatre fell with a crash. The family then field for the street.

In the mean time a small boy had rushed into the police station and informed Sergt. Edmonston of the blaze.

Box 14 was pulled and a second alarm immediately followed it. The firemen arrived at the burning building just as the occupants were trying to escape.

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Mrs. Gantzberg, lifted from her sick bed, wore nothing but a wrapper. She was taken to the station-house and later to the home of Mrs. Weyhausen, where a doctor announced that she would die because of the exposure.

Gantzberg, with his baby, ran shoeless to the street and escaped. Otto Lobes, the pianist, who is a brother of Mrs. Gantzberg, seized little Otto and made for the stairway. At the head he slipped and fell to the foot on a lot of broken glass.

The child wandered back into the blazing rooms screaming for help.

Chance Policeman Schaler pulled Lobes from the hall and dashed into the building to save the boy. He found him and brought him to the sidewalk. His legs and stomsch were horribly burned. At the hospital it was said that he could not possibly live.

Lobes attempted to walk to the station-house, but fell exhausted when have half way across the two blocks distance. Twenty winnted later, but die station of the stati

way across the two blocks distance. Twenty minutes later he died of suffocation. Drs. Helfer, Chobert and Steadman attended him

Helfer, Chobert and Steadman attended him and the other sufferers.

Three of the five Tyrolese escaped without injury. Two, Florenz Naegali and Alois Pholmer, were seriously cut about the head. They were sent to the hospital.

One of the servants, known only as Mary, packed her trunk while the flames were raging, and after throwing it through a window jumped after it into the arms of a freman. She set at work at once to distribute her

was doomed.

The entire- Fire Department responded to the calls. In a safe in the office of Gantz-berg's Theatre were a number of valuable diamonds and a large amount of money. All was lost, as the safe proved worthless.

A large ice-house owned by the Heitlers was partially consumed. It was insured for \$2,000. Streams of water are still playing on the smouldering ruins.

Fair Weather Will Follow.